

LATEST FROM THE VOLCANO.

Increased Activity of the Lake—Buildings Going Forward Rapidly—Drives Being Constructed—Telephone to Hilo, Etc.

The news from the Volcano by the Kinan is up to July 21. The lake of molten lava still remains at about 250 by 150 feet in diameter, and overflows its banks in all directions at intervals of a few days, thus gradually filling up the deep pit formed by the break-down of March last.

There is yet no appearance of the upward thrust of the whole bottom of the pit, as is so often the case, but all of the filling is being done by the overflowing of the lake. The bottom of the pit is now a level floor some 400 or 500 feet in diameter with the lake in the centre.

The action in the lake is most intense at the eastern end, at which point the action is more violent than it was in Dana Lake before the break-down. The boiling of the lake is incessant, the lava being thrown backward and forward in immense billows and projected into the air to the height of about thirty or forty feet, with frequent bursts of fiery spray to a height of sixty or seventy feet, which falls over an area of an acre or more. The lava thus thrown out and cooling on the east end of the lake has built a cone some forty feet in height and 100 feet in diameter over the east end of the lake. The western half of the cone has fallen into the lake leaving the hollow interior of the cone in plain view from the western rim of the pit which is the present point of observation for tourists. In and around this cone there is a roaring fiery furnace, appalling in its tremendous manifestations of power. At night the light from the molten lava is so bright that every portion of the pit is lighted up, and the bluffs stand out in high relief against the midnight background, in most fantastic shape and color.

AN ISLAND

has been formed in the midst of the lake near the eastern end, some forty feet in length and twenty feet in breadth with an elevation above the surrounding surface of the lake of six to ten feet. The current of the lake is from west to east, the crusted top of the lake being divided by the island as it is borne past and re-melted in the furnace under the cone. As the black crust of the lake is drawn in under the cone, it frequently leaves the surface of the lake around the island a boiling, fiery red, against which the black outline of the island stands out bold and defiant; but as the surface of the lake occasionally falls several feet below its ordinary level it can be seen that the edge of the island is undermined on all sides.

THE NEW HOTEL BUILDINGS

are being pressed forward rapidly. Mr. Howard, who has the contract for erecting the new hotel, stables, bath house and cottages, is on the ground with a strong force of workmen, and building is going on as fast as possible. Mrs. Howard accompanied her husband, and is enjoying the cool weather, the sulphur steam baths and the ohelos and cream.

THE TOURIST TRAVEL

is on the increase, in spite of the fact that the accommodation is inadequate, especially so now that a large number of carpenters and laborers are added to the regular quota of boarders. A party of twelve went up by the last Kinan, and twenty more by the Kinan. The new buildings are being put up none too soon to accommodate the increased travel.

Dr. Day and his wife have been spending a week at the Volcano, and return with renewed vigor and complexions, which will discount the traditional "nut brown maid."

Col. Hodge and wife, being a prominent Republican politician and newspaper man of Cleveland, Ohio, are also among the recent visitors. Col. Hodge has traveled wide and far, and his opinion of the Volcano will command attention. He thus records it in the Volcano House book:

CAPTAIN HODGE'S OPINION OF THE VOLCANO.

"I have seen many of the natural wonders of the world; the Yosemite, the Geysers of the Yellowstone, Niagara Falls, the great Muir Glacier in Alaska, the Colorado Canon, the great snow covered mountains of Mexico, the Giants' Causeway in Ireland, Mount Blanc on a clear morning forty miles in the distance, Mt. Vesuvius in an eruption at night, but none of these offered anything so grand, so awfully sublime, so mighty in power, as the great burning lake in the crater of Kilauea.

O. J. HODGE,
Cleveland, O.

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THE CARRIAGE DRIVES

which the company proposes to construct, are already being pushed forward. The drive to the Uwekahuna Bluff, the highest point on the Kauai side of the crater, is completed for a distance of a mile and a half from the house. This will be extended to the edge of the lower bluff immediately opposite the lake, from which point the lake can ordinarily be seen. An observation station is to be erected there. As soon as this drive is completed, the one to Kilauea-iki will be commenced.

THE TELEPHONE LINE

from Hilo, to connect with the Kauai system at the Volcano, is being rap-

idly erected by Mr. Richards. The poles are all erected and wire being placed in position from Hilo to the Half-way house; and from there on the action of the Government is being awaited concerning the Volcano Road. If the new road is to be constructed, the wire will follow that line; if not, then it will follow the present trail.

WHAT IS TO BE DONE ABOUT THE VOLCANO ROAD?

Is the question which all Hilo is now asking, and in which every one connected in any way with tourist travel is interested. With increased steam communication with the coast, good hotel accommodations at Hilo, Punaluu and the Volcano, the one barrier to a large increase in tourist travel to the Volcano is the lack of the carriage road from Hilo.

MYRTLE BOAT CLUB.

Reduction of Admission Fee—Election of Officers.

The Myrtle Boat Club held a meeting Wednesday evening. It was largely attended. Reports from the different officers were received; that from the retiring treasurer showed that the club is on a firm financial basis. The question of amount for admission to membership was discussed, and a decrease from \$25 to \$10 was voted.

The election of officers resulted in the following named officers being elected: President, W. C. Parke; Vice-President, J. A. Gilman; Secretary, Geo. C. Ross; Treasurer, C. T. Wilder; Captain, A. G. Robertson; Trustees, W. F. Love, G. K. Wilder and W. H. Wright.

Expensive Bathhouse.

The Volcano Company has decided to build a bathhouse at the Volcano. There is nothing unusual in that except that it is going to be one of the grandest of the kind not only in the islands but anywhere else. In connection of the regular shower, cold, hot and steam baths there will be the sulphur ones. The bathhouse will be connected with the main building by a covered walk. The floors and wainscoting are to be of fancy marble tiles and the fixtures of nickel. When finished it will cost \$850, the contract being let to Geo. A. Howard. It will be an attractive feature of the Volcano.

Holders of round trip tickets can stop at the crater beyond the time specified on their tickets (five days) at \$3 per day. Those not having round trip tickets are rated at \$4 each for the first five days, afterwards \$3.

The company has concluded arrangements with Mr. Jos. Vierra to represent the company at Hilo in the way of hotel accommodations.

The World's Fair.

In response to the request of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hon. Sam'l Parker, the Chamber of Commerce met to take under consideration the subject of an exhibit to the World's Fair at Chicago. It is the desire of the Chamber to make an exhibit.

A committee consisting of Messrs. John Paty, F. M. Swaney, John Hackfeld, James A. Hopper and B. F. Dillingham, was appointed to confer with the Minister of Foreign Affairs with the object of securing a place in the buildings at Chicago. No further action than securing this can be made till the Legislature meets and makes an appropriation for the exhibit.

Departure of the Morning Star.

The Missionary steam-barkentine Morning Star sailed July 9, for San Francisco in charge of Captain Duncan, with Mr. Rosehill as chief officer. The Star goes up under sail, and on arrival at San Francisco, the captain is instructed to hand over the vessel to the authorities of the American Board in that city. It is not precisely known what the Board intends to do with the Morning Star, but it is expected they will give her a thorough overhauling and then send her back to Honolulu.

Arrival of O. S. S. Zealandia.

The steamer Zealandia, K. van Otterdorp, Commander, sailed from San Francisco June 30th at 4:45 P. M.; outer buoy at 6:24; with 49 cabin and 25 steerage passengers and 1272 tons of cargo. Arrived at Honolulu 3 P. M., July 7th. Weather: June 30 and July 1 light N. S. W. wind; July 2 to 7 light N. E. wind. Fine weather during entire passage.

Hotel Arrivals.

HAMILTON HOUSE.

Chas. M. Shortridge and wife, Miss Shortridge, Dr. A. M. Barker and wife, Louise Sonniksen, San Jose; W. O. Lackland and wife, Honolulu; James P. Moffett, wife and infant, Portland; E. W. Fuller, wife and two children, Hawaii; John M. Huggs and wife, Miss Louise Huggs, Miss Annette Huggs, California; R. Bunge, New York.

Sermonette on the Devil.—The devil is very fond of athletics, especially foot ball, and when he sees the opposing eleven in a college game all tangled up in a heap and hears the remarks they make to one another, he just goes under the grand stand and smiles.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. G. S. Gay and Miss E. Gay, of Makaweli, Kauai, have returned from the Coast.

Mrs. J. B. Atherton and two sons also went up on the Kinan, the Volcano being the objective point.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Lackland, who have been to the Coast for some weeks returned on Tuesday, looking much improved in health.

We welcome back Dr. J. Mott Smith and his two daughters. They are Hawaiian-kamaainas, and will find friends and old acquaintances everywhere they may go.

Mr. E. W. Fuller, Manager of the Pabua Plantation, returns from a short vacation and goes home to Kau on the next trip of the Hall. He is accompanied by his family.

Mr. N. C. Willifong, who has recently retired from the firm of Holmes & Willifong of Hilo, has been appointed Tax Collector for the Hilo District. He returned last week on the Kinan.

General Armstrong and his two daughters were among the Kinan's passengers for Hilo and the Volcano. They will spend a few weeks on Hawaii, then on Maui, and leave for home about the middle of August.

Eddie S. Damon, son of Hon. S. M. Damon, left last week for a pleasure trip to the Sound by the barkentine Kikikat. A pleasant voyage of three weeks to the down-east skipper of the barkentine and his youthful voyager.

Mr. L. D. Spencer, Inspector of Immigration, accompanied with Mr. Wray Taylor, and E. Stiles of the Foreign Office, left on the Kinan to look after the 400 Chinese immigrants now fully due at Mahukona. These laborers are all engaged by the plantations at Kohala.

Hon. Judge Bickerton of the Supreme Court returned on Tuesday from a short visit to the Coast, looking as though he had enjoyed the trip. He left his family there, the two eldest sons are to re-enter school at Tacoma, Wash., after which Mrs. Bickerton will return home.

Miss M. E. Spooner will leave for San Francisco in the Zealandia next week. She has been a teacher in Oahu College for eight years, and many young ladies and gentlemen, who have had the privilege of receiving instruction from her, will regret her departure, and wish her many alohas.

Mr. W. T. Hess, connected with the California Democrat (German) of San Francisco, is on a visit to these islands in the interest of that well-known paper. Any of our German friends wishing to subscribe to or advertise in the Democrat will find Mr. H. ready to receive orders. During his stay here, Mr. Hess will visit the Volcano.

Capt. John M. Caverly, brother-in-law of our townsman, John H. Paty, Esq., has recently returned to San Francisco from a prolonged visit to his home in New England, and is now in temporary command of one of the Pacific Mail steamships on the Panama route. The genial captain is one of the oldest in the service of that company.

Charles M. Shortridge, wife and daughter are among the passengers by the Zealandia. Mr. S. is editor and proprietor of the San Jose Mercury, one of the best provincial papers in California. He intends to do the islands, and after seeing the Volcano and other points of interest will be able to give the latest and most authentic description of the Hawaiian Paradise.

Many of our readers will remember Gel. Schofield, whose marriage to Miss Kilbourne was referred to Monday, by our San Francisco correspondent. He was here some fifteen or eighteen years ago, and superintended the survey of Pearl Harbor, and made a favorable report to his government concerning its availability as a coaling station.

Dr. ad Mrs. A. M. Barker of San Jose are staying at the Hamilton. Dr. B. is a prominent dentist of that city, and has chosen this tropical excursion as the best outing for the present season, intending to make a tour of the islands. The doctor says it is 100 deg. compared with 102 deg. to 104 deg., as the thermometer stood when he left San Francisco.

Mr. Robert Bunge has lately arrived here as agent of Blake Pump Company to put up the new pumps for the Ewa Sugar Plantation, which is having twelve new artesian wells sunk, to furnish water for a thousands acres more of cane soon to be planted. Mr. Bunge is an engineer and was formerly on the S. City of Sydney, when she was employed as a mail boat between San Francisco and Australia in 1878-9.

One of the native sons of Hawaii has just been elected and sworn in as Attorney General of the State of Rhode Island in the person of Robert W. Burank, son of the late Samuel Burank, for many years Manager of the Koloa Plantation, and brother of Miss Burbank, Librarian of the public Library of this city. Although quite young (30 years of age) Mr. Robert Burbank has shown marked ability as a lawyer, and in several important suits has gained a position in the front rank of New England lawyers. A correspondent of the N. Y. Tribune says of him: "Mr. Burbank is of prepossessing appearance, and one who immediately win your favor by his open-hearted manner and his genial social qualities. Having served a term as Assistant Attorney General, Mr. B. brings to the office a large experience, and will fill it with dig-

nity and honor." All honor to the sons of Hawaii, wherever they may be placed in positions of usefulness and authority at home or abroad, whether at Hampton or in the Government of Rhode Island, or in departments at Washington, they will not fail to reflect credit to the country of their adoption or that of their birth.

Among the recent arrivals, was James A. Wilder, youngest son of the late S. G. Wilder, who is a student at Harvard University, having just finished his junior year, and returned home last week to spend the summer vacation among his kith and kin. The mention of his name recalls an incident which is said to have occurred during the last few days of the term, and which will bear repeating. The theatrical amateurs of his class were giving a performance in one of the public halls of Boston, which was crowded, as is usual with such amateur exhibitions. Young Wilder was reciting some lines in the part taken by him at the close of the act, when he suddenly dropped the last line of the English version, and said in Hawaiian: "Mai ahaaka oe, Pauahi!" Instantly, a thousand eyes turned to the center of the hall, and a thousand tongues were whispering, "who can it be?" And when it was ascertained that the words were spoken to a pretty young maiden from the "Paradise of the Pacific" who sat immediately in front of the stage, vociferous cheers came from every part of the house for the young Junior, who had so artfully closed the evening's play with an incident not on the program.

Y. M. C. A.

Farewell Meeting to Mr. Fuller, Retiring Secretary, and Mr. P. C. Jones—Hall Filled.

The Y. M. C. A. Hall was crowded Thursday evening, the occasion being the farewell reception tendered by the association to the retiring secretary, Mr. S. D. Fuller, and Mr. P. C. Jones; also for the public recognition of the recently-chosen secretary, Mr. H. W. Peck. Mr. W. J. Lowrie acted as chairman. He stated the object of the meeting, referring to the resignation of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Peck's appointment and acceptance and the absence from the islands in the near future of Messrs. P. C. Jones and S. D. Fuller.

After a quartette was sung, Mr. H. W. Peck, the new secretary, was introduced. In the course of his remarks, he stated that he had been here for a number of years and was pretty well acquainted with the young fellows, so the work would be a pleasure. He had intended leaving the islands, and while waiting for news from the States, accepted the offer of the association. He spoke of the work Mr. Jones has done for and the substantial aid he has given to the Y. M. C. A., characterizing him as its main pillar. Mr. Jones' work in the temperance field was a subject for some of the speaker's earnest remarks. In reference to Mr. Fuller, he spoke of his intimate acquaintance with him, thus affording an opportunity of judging the worth of the retiring secretary as a man, a Christian and an earnest worker for the interests of the association. He told of the foundation of the Hawaiian association has upon which to work, the business men behind it, complimenting the young men for their interest and efforts in behalf of its success. The Y. M. C. A. is non-sectarian, with no party in politics, a place for all. One of the points he dwelt upon was the absence of working men from the churches; the efforts the association should make in getting them into church, or if necessary of going to them outside. Quotations were given from Customs report as to the importation of liquor, dwelling upon the necessity of lessening this traffic. An appeal was made to the members of the association to do their parts individually as well as collectively, beseeching them to work ceaselessly and untriflingly.

A vocal duet was then sung by Misses Emily Halstead and Susie Young so well as to make the audience heartily call for another, which was equally as well rendered.

Mr. S. D. Fuller being introduced spoke of his early conversion, his work in New England, at Sacramento, and of his call here. He referred to his labors here being of the pleasantest nature, ably seconded by business men, especially Mr. P. C. Jones. He spoke clearly, deliberately and earnestly of the work accomplished and what is to be done in the future. He congratulated the association upon its choice of Secretary as a man well adapted for the work from an educational and Christian standpoint.

Mr. Geo. P. Castle, President, read a letter from the association to each Mr. Fuller and Mr. Jones.

Mr. P. C. Jones, when called upon for an address pleaded the pressure of business in preparing for his departure as limiting his time to such an extent as to prohibit preparing one. After a few general remarks, he turned towards Mr. Fuller and presented him with a draft on the California Bank for \$360, donated by the members of the Y. M. C. A. After some more music an attack was made upon ice cream and cake of which there was more than enough to supply the large number of people assembled there.

Referring to the departure of Mr. Shortridge and family for Honolulu, whose arrival here is noticed by us to-day, the San Jose Mercury says: "The Sandwich Island Kingdom is attracting many of our society people. In those beautiful islands the balmy air of the South Pacific brings the flush of renewed health to even the casual visitor, while a lengthy stay compels one to realize that is indeed the Paradise of the Pacific."

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